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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3763-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Dr Christian Rowan MP, Member for Moggill on 12 October 2022, about an integrated transport and flood resilience solution for the electorate of Moggill and the western suburbs of Brisbane.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has improved transport infrastructure in the western suburbs and has completed improvements on the Centenary Motorway, including the:

- six-lane upgrade of the Centenary Motorway between Toowong and Moggill Road at Indooroopilly, connecting with the Legacy Way Tunnel (completed in June 2015)
- Moggill Road Cycle Bridge between Russell Terrace and Witton Road, linking the Centenary Motorway and Western Freeway Bikeways (completed in November 2015)
- Sumners Road interchange upgrade at Jamboree Heights (completed in April 2021).

TMR has also been undertaking planning for improved active transport along Moggill Road since 2018.

In December 2021, TMR installed around 30 'Share the Road' signs, at approximately one-kilometre intervals, on each side of Moggill Road from Burbong Street, Chapel Hill to Landing Place, Moggill. These signs provide better awareness to motorists to look out for bike riders and to drive in preparedness to share the road safely with bike riders. TMR completed these works as an interim safety measure, independent of the Moggill Road Cycling Study which aims to deliver a long-term upgrade solution.

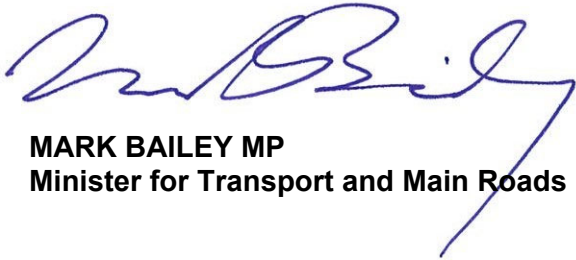
TMR appreciates the concerns of residents, as well as the inconvenience caused during floods or dam releases. TMR remains committed to the Moggill Pocket Arterial Road and the Kenmore Bypass as an alternative to Moggill Road, rather than a new crossing of the river between Bellbowrie and Riverhills. The western end of the Moggill Pocket Arterial Road would provide another crossing of the Brisbane River and connect to the Warrego Highway at North Tivoli.

The Moggill–Warrego Highway Connection, Moggill Pocket Arterial Road and Kenmore Bypass form a vital link for the western suburbs and additional cross-river capacity. It also utilises existing preserved transport corridors which were first identified in the 1960s, and preserved as a four-lane arterial road in the late 1970s. TMR has no plans to revisit alternative river crossings.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$3.858 billion is committed across TMR's Metropolitan Region, estimated to support an average of 3280 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
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